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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A system for installing, on a user's host device connected to a network, a printer driver for a printer of a particular type connected on the network, comprising:
 - a user's host device having a user interface and a web browser for accessing the network and for locating a desired printer on the network; and
 - the desired printer having:
 - a web server for accessing the network and for generating and displaying a web page in the user interface, wherein the desired printer's unique identification is unknown to the user and the user's host device;
 - wherein the web page includes a link for accessing an installer;
 - ~~a link for accessing an installer, wherein the link is displayed in the host device connected on the network in a web page generated by a web server resident on the printer, wherein the printer's unique identification is unknown to the host device;~~
 - a printer driver for a printer of the particular type, wherein the network includes at least two printers of the particular type;
 - an identifier for uniquely identifying the desired printer on the network, wherein, responsive to activating the link, the identifier stores the desired printer's unique identification on the user's host device; and
 - wherein, responsive to storing the desired printer's unique identification on the user's host device, the web server activates an installer, responsive to activating the link and to receipt of the printer's unique identification, for installing the printer driver on the user's host device and for mapping the desired printer on the user's host device in order to enable sending of print jobs from the host device to the printer.

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2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the unique identification comprises the printer's IP address on the network.

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the unique identification comprises the printer's network name on the network.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the identifier stores the unique identification as a web browser cookie on the host device.

5. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the printer driver is located at another printer on the network and the identifier further stores the location of the printer driver on the host device as a web browser cookie.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the printer driver is located at another location on the Internet on the network and the identifier further stores the location of the printer driver on the host device as a web browser cookie.

7. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the host device comprises a personal computer.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for installing, on a user's host device connected to a network, a printer driver for a desired printer of a particular type connected on ~~a~~the network, comprising:

accessing the network via a web browser;

locating the desired printer on the network, wherein the printer's unique identification on the network is unknown to the user and the user's host device;

displaying a web page generated by a web server resident on the desired printer in a user interface on the user's host device, wherein the web page includes a link for

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~~accessing an installer for installing a printer driver on the host device and for mapping the~~
desired printer to the host device;

activating the link, wherein, responsive to activating the link, an identifier located
on the desired printer stores the desired printer's unique identification on the user's host
device;

~~responsive to receipt of the printer's unique identification, installing a printer~~
~~driver for a printer of the particular type~~the desired printer on the user's host device and
responsive to receipt of the desired printer's unique identification, mapping the desired
printer on the user's host device in order to enable sending of print jobs from the user's
host device to the desired printer; and

wherein the network includes at least two printers of the particular type.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the unique
identification comprises the printer's IP address on the network.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the unique
identification comprises the printer's network name on the network.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the host device
comprises a personal computer.